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INFORMED PRESIDENT AUGUSTO PINOCHET [redacted]

THAT EFFORTS OF THE COURT TO INVESTIGATE CASES OF ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, SPECIFICALLY THE DISAPPEARANCE OF PERSONS, HAVE BEEN OBSTRUCTED AND STALLED BY ELEMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

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[redacted] TO REPORT ON THIS OBSTRUCTION TO THE DELEGATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF JURISTS WHICH IS DUE TO VISIT CHILE BEFORE THE END OF JANUARY 1977.

2. [redacted] CITED THE COMPLAINTS OF [redacted] ASSIGNED TO THE MARTA UGARTE CASE AND THE MAIPO REGIMENT CASE RESPECTIVELY. [redacted] COMMENTED THAT THE CHILEAN SUPREME COURT WAS LOSING STATURE INTERNATIONALLY.) [redacted] THAT IN BOTH CASES, THE MAGISTRATES HAVE FOUND EVIDENCE OF MALFEASANCE BY THE SECURITY SERVICES AND THAT CHILE'S IMAGE CAN BEST BE SEWED IF THE TRUTH IS BROUGHT OUT AND DEALT WITH ACCORDING TO THE LAW. 1.5 (c)

3. [redacted] THAT IN THE CASE OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF SEVERAL DETAINEES FROM THE MAIPO REGIMENT, JUDGE CLAVERIA HAD BEEN TOLD BY [redacted] THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE

NATIONAL FRE DROPPED THE INVESTIGATION. [redacted] THAT FOLLOWING THIS WARNING. THE APPELATE COURT OF VALPARAISO VOTED THREE TO TWO THAT CALVERIA SHOULD RESUME HIS NORMAL DUTIES, THUS REDUCING HIS EFFICIENCY TO CONDUCT THE MAIPO INVESTIGATION. [redacted] VERY DISTURBED BY THE PRESSURE THE MILITARY WAS PUTTING ON CALVERIA TO DROP THE CASE. 1.5(C)

4. [redacted] BROUGHT UP WITH PINOCHET WAS THE INTENTION OF THE SUPREME COURT TO REVIEW THE SENTENCES IMPOSED BY MILITARY TRIBUNALS. [redacted] THAT MANY OF THESE CONVICTIONS WERE MADE UNDER THE TIME-OF-WAR MILITARY CODE PROVISIONS BUT NOW ARE SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY THE SUPREME COURT UNDER THE TIME-OF-PEACE CONDITIONS CURRENTLY IN EFFECT.

5. [redacted] PINOCHET RECEIVED [redacted] REPORT WITH EQUANIMITY AND ASKED [redacted] TO BE PATIENT AND TO KEEP THE INFORMATION [redacted] CONFIDENTIAL. PINOCHET [redacted] THAT HE WOULD CONSULT WITH HIS ADVISORS AND THAT WITHIN 30 DAYS HE WOULD RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS [redacted] HAD PRESENTED IN A MANNER WHICH HE HOPED WOULD BE AGREEABLE [redacted]

6. PINOCHET REPORTEDLY [redacted] THAT HE WAS BEING APPROACHED BY A NUMBER OF SECTORS TO DEMOCRATIZE THE GOVERNMENT, AND THAT HE REALIZED HE NEEDED TO MAKE SOME IMPORTANT CHANGES BEFORE 20 JANUARY (INAUGURATION DAY IN THE UNITED STATES).

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